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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
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10 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

11 C&SM, INT'L, a South Korea
12 Corporation;

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14 Plaintiff,

15 vs.

16 NOTATIONS, INC., a Pennsylvania
17 corporation; BURLINGTON STORES,
18 INC., a New Jersey corporation; and
19 DOES
1-10 inclusive,

20 Defendants.
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Case No.: 2:17-cv-01023-JFW (FFMx)

**PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT
TO STIPULATION**

1. A. PURPOSES AND LIMITATIONS

Discovery in this action is likely to involve production of confidential, proprietary, or private information for which special protection from public disclosure and from use for any purpose other than prosecuting this litigation may be warranted. Accordingly, the parties hereby stipulate to and petition the Court to enter the following Stipulated Protective Order. The parties acknowledge that this Order does not confer blanket protections on all disclosures or responses to discovery and that the protection it affords from public disclosure and use extends only to the limited information or items that are entitled to confidential treatment under the applicable legal principles. The parties further acknowledge, as set forth in Section 12.3, below, that this Stipulated Protective Order does not entitle them to file confidential information under seal; Civil Local Rule 79-5 sets forth the procedures that must be followed and the standards that will be applied when a party seeks permission from the court to file material under seal.

B. GOOD CAUSE STATEMENT

This action is likely to involve trade secrets, customer and pricing lists and other valuable research, development, commercial, financial and/or technical information for which special protection from public disclosure and from use for any purpose other than prosecution of this action is warranted. Such confidential materials and information consist of, among other things, confidential business or financial information, information regarding purchase and sale prices of fabric or garments by suppliers, manufacturers, importers, distributors or fashion retailers, information regarding business practices, information regarding the creation, purchase or sale of graphics used on textiles and garments, or other confidential commercial information (including information implicating privacy rights of third

1 parties), information generally unavailable to the public, or which may be
2 privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure under state or federal rules, court
3 rules, case decisions, or common law. Accordingly, to expedite the flow of
4 information, to facilitate the prompt resolution of disputes over confidentiality of
5 discovery materials, to adequately protect information the parties are entitled to
6 keep confidential, to ensure that the parties are permitted reasonable necessary uses
7 of such material in preparation for and in the conduct of trial, to address their
8 handling at the end of the litigation, and serve the ends of justice, a protective order
9 for such information is justified in this matter. It is the intent of the parties that
10 information will not be designated as confidential for tactical reasons and that
11 nothing be so designated without a good faith belief that it has been maintained in a
12 confidential, non-public manner, and there is good cause why it should not be part
13 of the public record of this case.

14 15 2. DEFINITIONS

16 2.1 Action: This pending federal law suit.

17 2.2 Challenging Party: a Party or Non-Party that challenges the designation
18 of information or items under this Order.

19 2.3 “CONFIDENTIAL” Information or Items: information (regardless of
20 how it is generated, stored or maintained) or tangible things that qualify for
21 protection under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(c), and as specified above in
22 the Good Cause Statement.

23 2.4 Counsel: Outside Counsel of Record and House Counsel (as well as their
24 support staff).

25 2.5 Designating Party: a Party or Non-Party that designates information or
26 items that it produces in disclosures or in responses to discovery as
27 “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES
28 ONLY.”

1 2.6 Disclosure or Discovery Material: all items or information, regardless of
2 the medium or manner in which it is generated, stored, or maintained (including,
3 among other things, testimony, transcripts, and tangible things), that are produced
4 or generated in disclosures or responses to discovery in this matter.

5 2.7 Expert: a person with specialized knowledge or experience in a matter
6 pertinent to the litigation who has been retained by a Party or its counsel to serve
7 as an expert witness or as a consultant in this Action.

8 2.8 “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY”
9 Information or Items: extremely sensitive “CONFIDENTIAL” Information or
10 Items, the disclosure of which to another Party or Non-Party would create a
11 substantial risk of serious harm that could not be avoided by less restrictive means.

12 2.9 House Counsel: attorneys who are employees of a party to this Action.
13 House Counsel does not include Outside Counsel of Record or any other outside
14 counsel.

15 2.10 Non-Party: any natural person, partnership, corporation, association, or
16 other legal entity not named as a Party to this action.

17 2.11 Outside Counsel of Record: attorneys who are not employees of a party
18 to this Action but are retained to represent or advise a party to this Action and have
19 appeared in this Action on behalf of that party or are affiliated with a law firm
20 which has appeared on behalf of that party, and includes support staff.

21 2.12 Party: any party to this Action, including all of its officers, directors,
22 employees, consultants, retained experts, and Outside Counsel of Record (and their
23 support staffs).

24 2.13 Producing Party: a Party or Non-Party that produces Disclosure or
25 Discovery Material in this Action.

26 2.14 Professional Vendors: persons or entities that provide litigation support
27 services (e.g., photocopying, videotaping, translating, preparing exhibits or
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demonstrations, and organizing, storing, or retrieving data in any form or medium) and their employees and subcontractors.

2.15 Protected Material: any Disclosure or Discovery Material that is designated as “CONFIDENTIAL” ” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY.”

2.16 Receiving Party: a Party that receives Disclosure or Discovery Material from a Producing Party.

3. SCOPE

The protections conferred by this Stipulation and Order cover not only Protected Material (as defined above), but also (1) any information copied or extracted from Protected Material; (2) all copies, excerpts, summaries, or compilations of Protected Material; and (3) any testimony, conversations, or presentations by Parties or their Counsel that might reveal Protected Material. Any use of Protected Material at trial shall be governed by the orders of the trial judge. This Order does not govern the use of Protected Material at trial.

4. DURATION

Even after final disposition of this litigation, the confidentiality obligations imposed by this Order shall remain in effect until a Designating Party agrees otherwise in writing or a court order otherwise directs. Final disposition shall be deemed to be the later of (1) dismissal of all claims and defenses in this Action, with or without prejudice; and (2) final judgment herein after the completion and exhaustion of all appeals, rehearings, remands, trials, or reviews of this Action, including the time limits for filing any motions or applications for extension of time pursuant to applicable law.

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1 5. DESIGNATING PROTECTED MATERIAL

2 5.1 Exercise of Restraint and Care in Designating Material for Protection.

3 Each Party or Non-Party that designates information or items for protection under
4 this Order must take care to limit any such designation to specific material that
5 qualifies under the appropriate standards. The Designating Party must designate for
6 protection only those parts of material, documents, items, or oral or written
7 communications that qualify so that other portions of the material, documents,
8 items, or communications for which protection is not warranted are not swept
9 unjustifiably within the ambit of this Order.

10 Mass, indiscriminate, or routinized designations are prohibited. Designations
11 that are shown to be clearly unjustified or that have been made for an improper
12 purpose (e.g., to unnecessarily encumber the case development process or to
13 impose unnecessary expenses and burdens on other parties) may expose the
14 Designating Party to sanctions.

15 If it comes to a Designating Party's attention that information or items that it
16 designated for protection do not qualify for protection, that Designating Party must
17 promptly notify all other Parties that it is withdrawing the inapplicable designation.

18 5.2 Manner and Timing of Designations. Except as otherwise provided in
19 this Order (see, e.g., second paragraph of section 5.2(a) below), or as otherwise
20 stipulated or ordered, Disclosure or Discovery Material that qualifies for protection
21 under this Order must be clearly so designated before the material is disclosed or
22 produced.

23 Designation in conformity with this Order requires:

24 (a) for information in documentary form (e.g., paper or electronic
25 documents, but excluding transcripts of depositions or other pretrial or trial
26 proceedings), that the Producing Party affix at a minimum, "CONFIDENTIAL" or
27 "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL -- ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY" (hereinafter
28 "CONFIDENTIAL" legend or "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL -- ATTORNEYS'

1 EYES ONLY legend”), to each page that contains protected material. If only a
2 portion or portions of the material on a page qualifies for protection, the Producing
3 Party also must clearly identify the protected portion(s) (e.g., by making
4 appropriate markings in the margins).

5 A Party or Non-Party that makes original documents available for inspection
6 need not designate them for protection until after the inspecting Party has indicated
7 which documents it would like copied and produced. During the inspection and
8 before the designation, all of the material made available for inspection shall be
9 deemed “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL -- ATTORNEYS’
10 EYES ONLY.” After the inspecting Party has identified the documents it wants
11 copied and produced, the Producing Party must determine which documents, or
12 portions thereof, qualify for protection under this Order. Then, before producing
13 the specified documents, the Producing Party must affix the “CONFIDENTIAL
14 legend,” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY legend”
15 to each page that contains Protected Material. If only a portion or portions of the
16 material on a page qualifies for protection, the Producing Party also must clearly
17 identify the protected portion(s) (e.g., by making appropriate markings in the
18 margins).

19 (b) for testimony given in depositions that the Designating Party identify the
20 Disclosure or Discovery Material on the record, before the close of the deposition
21 all protected testimony.

22 (c) for information produced in some form other than documentary and for
23 any other tangible items, that the Producing Party affix in a prominent place on the
24 exterior of the container or containers in which the information is stored the legend
25 “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL -- ATTORNEYS’ EYES
26 ONLY.” If only a portion or portions of the information warrants protection, the
27 Producing Party, to the extent practicable, shall identify the protected portion(s).

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1 5.3 Inadvertent Failures to Designate. If timely corrected, an inadvertent
2 failure to designate qualified information or items does not, standing alone, waive
3 the Designating Party's right to secure protection under this Order for such
4 material. Upon timely correction of a designation, the Receiving Party must make
5 reasonable efforts to assure that the material is treated in accordance with the
6 provisions of this Order.

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8 6. CHALLENGING CONFIDENTIALITY DESIGNATIONS

9 6.1 Timing of Challenges. Any Party or Non-Party may challenge a
10 designation of confidentiality at any time that is consistent with the Court's
11 Scheduling Order.

12 6.2 Meet and Confer. The Challenging Party shall initiate the dispute
13 resolution process under Local Rule 37.1 et seq.

14 6.3 The burden of persuasion in any such challenge proceeding shall be on
15 the Designating Party. Frivolous challenges, and those made for an improper
16 purpose (e.g., to harass or impose unnecessary expenses and burdens on other
17 parties) may expose the Challenging Party to sanctions. Unless the Designating
18 Party has waived or withdrawn the confidentiality designation, all parties shall
19 continue to afford the material in question the level of protection to which it is
20 entitled under the Producing Party's designation until the Court rules on the
21 challenge.

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23 7. ACCESS TO AND USE OF PROTECTED MATERIAL

24 7.1 Basic Principles. A Receiving Party may use Protected Material that is
25 disclosed or produced by another Party or by a Non-Party in connection with this
26 Action only for prosecuting, defending, or attempting to settle this Action. Such
27 Protected Material may be disclosed only to the categories of persons and under
28 the conditions described in this Order. When the Action has been terminated, a

1 Receiving Party must comply with the provisions of section 13 below (FINAL
2 DISPOSITION).

3 Protected Material must be stored and maintained by a Receiving Party at a
4 location and in a secure manner that ensures that access is limited to the persons
5 authorized under this Order.

6 7.2 Disclosure of “CONFIDENTIAL” Information or Items. Unless
7 otherwise ordered by the court or permitted in writing by the Designating Party, a
8 Receiving Party may disclose any information or item designated
9 “CONFIDENTIAL” only to:

10 (a) the Receiving Party’s Outside Counsel of Record in this Action, as well
11 as employees of said Outside Counsel of Record to whom it is reasonably
12 necessary to disclose the information for this Action;

13 (b) the officers, directors, and employees (including House Counsel) of the
14 Receiving Party to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action; (c)
15 Experts (as defined in this Order) of the Receiving Party to whom disclosure is
16 reasonably necessary for this Action and who have signed the “Acknowledgment
17 and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A);

18 (d) the court and its personnel;

19 (e) court reporters and their staff;

20 (f) professional jury or trial consultants, mock jurors, and Professional
21 Vendors to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action and who have
22 signed the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A);

23 (g) the author or recipient of a document containing the information or a
24 custodian or other person who otherwise possessed or knew the information;

25 (h) during their depositions, witnesses ,and attorneys for witnesses, in the
26 Action to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary provided: (1) the deposing
27 party requests that the witness sign the form attached as Exhibit 1 hereto; and (2)
28 they will not be permitted to keep any confidential information unless they sign the

1 “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A), unless otherwise
2 agreed by the Designating Party or ordered by the court. Pages of transcribed
3 deposition testimony or exhibits to depositions that reveal Protected Material may
4 be separately bound by the court reporter and may not be disclosed to anyone
5 except as permitted under this Stipulated Protective Order; and

6 (i) any mediator or settlement officer, and their supporting personnel,
7 mutually agreed upon by any of the parties engaged in settlement discussions.

8 7.3 Disclosure of “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL -- ATTORNEYS’ EYES
9 ONLY” Information or Items. Unless otherwise ordered by the court or permitted
10 in writing by the Designating Party, a Receiving Party may disclose any
11 information or item designated “CONFIDENTIAL” only to:

12 (a) the Receiving Party’s Outside Counsel of Record in this Action, as well
13 as employees of said Outside Counsel of Record to whom it is reasonably
14 necessary to disclose the information for this Action;

15 (b) Experts (as defined in this Order) of the Receiving Party to whom
16 disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action and who have signed the
17 “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A);

18 (c) the court and its personnel;

19 (d) private court reporters and their staff to whom disclosure is reasonably
20 necessary for this Action and who have signed the “Acknowledgment and
21 Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A);

22 (e) professional jury or trial consultants, mock jurors, and Professional
23 Vendors to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action and who have
24 signed the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A);

25 (f) the author or recipient of a document containing the information or a
26 custodian or other person who otherwise possessed or knew the information; and

27 (g) any mediator or settlement officer, and their supporting personnel,
28 mutually agreed upon by any of the parties engaged in settlement discussions.

1 8. PROTECTED MATERIAL SUBPOENAED OR ORDERED PRODUCED
2 IN OTHER LITIGATION

3 If a Party is served with a subpoena or a court order issued in other litigation
4 that compels disclosure of any information or items designated in this Action as
5 “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL -- ATTORNEYS’ EYES
6 ONLY,” that Party must:

7 (a) promptly notify in writing the Designating Party. Such notification shall
8 include a copy of the subpoena or court order;

9 (b) promptly notify in writing the party who caused the subpoena or order to
10 issue in the other litigation that some or all of the material covered by the subpoena
11 or order is subject to this Protective Order. Such notification shall include a copy
12 of this Stipulated Protective Order; and

13 (c) cooperate with respect to all reasonable procedures sought to be pursued
14 by the Designating Party whose Protected Material may be affected. If the
15 Designating Party timely seeks a protective order, the Party served with the
16 subpoena or court order shall not produce any information designated in this action
17 as “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL -- ATTORNEYS’ EYES
18 ONLY” before a determination by the court from which the subpoena or order
19 issued, unless the Party has obtained the Designating Party’s permission. The
20 Designating Party shall bear the burden and expense of seeking protection in that
21 court of its confidential material and nothing in these provisions should be
22 construed as authorizing or encouraging a Receiving Party in this Action to
23 disobey a lawful directive from another court.

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25 9. A NON-PARTY’S PROTECTED MATERIAL SOUGHT TO BE
26 PRODUCED IN THIS LITIGATION

27 (a) The terms of this Order are applicable to information produced by a Non-
28 Party in this Action and designated as “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY

CONFIDENTIAL -- ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY." Such information produced by Non-Parties in connection with this litigation is protected by the remedies and relief provided by this Order. Nothing in these provisions should be construed as prohibiting a Non-Party from seeking additional protections.

(b) In the event that a Party is required, by a valid discovery request, to produce a Non-Party's confidential information in its possession, and the Party is subject to an agreement with the Non-Party not to produce the Non-Party's confidential information, then the Party shall:

(1) promptly notify in writing the Requesting Party and the Non-Party that some or all of the information requested is subject to a confidentiality agreement with a Non-Party;

(2) promptly provide the Non-Party with a copy of the Stipulated Protective Order in this Action, the relevant discovery request(s), and a reasonably specific description of the information requested; and

(3) make the information requested available for inspection by the Non-Party, if requested.

(c) If the Non-Party fails to seek a protective order from this court within 14 days of receiving the notice and accompanying information, the Receiving Party may produce the Non-Party's confidential information responsive to the discovery request. If the Non-Party timely seeks a protective order, the Receiving Party shall not produce any information in its possession or control that is subject to the confidentiality agreement with the Non-Party before a determination by the court. Absent a court order to the contrary, the Non-Party shall bear the burden and expense of seeking protection in this court of its Protected Material.

10. UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED MATERIAL

If a Receiving Party learns that, by inadvertence or otherwise, it has disclosed Protected Material to any person or in any circumstance not authorized

1 under this Stipulated Protective Order, the Receiving Party must immediately (a)
2 notify in writing the Designating Party of the unauthorized disclosures, (b) use its
3 best efforts to retrieve all unauthorized copies of the Protected Material, (c) inform
4 the person or persons to whom unauthorized disclosures were made of all the terms
5 of this Order, and (d) request such person or persons to execute the
6 “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” that is attached hereto as Exhibit
7 A.

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9 11. INADVERTENT PRODUCTION OF PRIVILEGED OR OTHERWISE
10 PROTECTED MATERIAL

11 When a Producing Party gives notice to Receiving Parties that certain
12 inadvertently produced material is subject to a claim of privilege or other
13 protection, the obligations of the Receiving Parties are those set forth in Federal
14 Rule of Civil Procedure 26(b)(5)(B). This provision is not intended to modify
15 whatever procedure may be established in an e-discovery order that provides for
16 production without prior privilege review. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence
17 502(d) and (e), insofar as the parties reach an agreement on the effect of disclosure
18 of a communication or information covered by the attorney-client privilege or
19 work product protection, the parties may incorporate their agreement in the
20 stipulated protective order submitted to the court.

21 12. MISCELLANEOUS

22 12.1 Right to Further Relief. Nothing in this Order abridges the right of any
23 person to seek its modification by the Court in the future.

24 12.2 Right to Assert Other Objections. By stipulating to the entry of this
25 Protective Order no Party waives any right it otherwise would have to object to
26 disclosing or producing any information or item on any ground not addressed in
27 this Stipulated Protective Order. Similarly, no Party waives any right to object on
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any ground to use in evidence of any of the material covered by this Protective Order.

12.3 Filing Protected Material. A Party that seeks to file under seal any Protected Material must comply with Civil Local Rule 79-5. Protected Material may only be filed under seal pursuant to a court order authorizing the sealing of the specific Protected Material at issue. If a Party's request to file Protected Material under seal is denied by the court, then the Receiving Party may file the information in the public record unless otherwise instructed by the court.

13. FINAL DISPOSITION

After the final disposition of this Action, as defined in paragraph 4, within 60 days of a written request by the Designating Party, each Receiving Party must return all Protected Material to the Producing Party or destroy such material. As used in this subdivision, "all Protected Material" includes all copies, abstracts, compilations, summaries, and any other format reproducing or capturing any of the Protected Material. Whether the Protected Material is returned or destroyed, the Receiving Party must submit a written certification to the Producing Party (and, if not the same person or entity, to the Designating Party) by the 60 day deadline that (1) identifies (by category, where appropriate) all the Protected Material that was returned or destroyed and (2) affirms that the Receiving Party has not retained any copies, abstracts, compilations, summaries or any other format reproducing or capturing any of the Protected Material. Notwithstanding this provision, Counsel are entitled to retain an archival copy of all pleadings, motion papers, trial, deposition, and hearing transcripts, legal memoranda, correspondence, deposition and trial exhibits, expert reports, attorney work product, and consultant and expert work product, even if such materials contain Protected Material. Any such archival copies that contain or constitute Protected Material remain subject to this Protective Order as set forth in Section 4 (DURATION).

1 14. Any violation of this Order may be punished by any and all appropriate
2 measures including, without limitation, contempt proceedings and/or monetary
3 sanctions.

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6 FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN, IT IS SO ORDERED.

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8 DATED: May 16, 2017

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10 /S/ FREDERICK F. MUMM
11 Honorable Frederick F. Mumm
12 United States Magistrate Judge
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2 EXHIBIT A

3 ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND

4 I, _____ [print or type full name], of
5 _____ [print or type full address], declare under penalty of perjury
6 that I have read in its entirety and understand the Stipulated Protective Order that
7 was issued by the United States District Court for the Central District of California
8 on [date] in the case of _____ *C&SM INT'L. v. NOTATIONS, INC.,*
9 *BURLINGTON STORES, INC., and DOES 1-10, 2:17-cv-01023-JFW (FFMx)* . I
10 agree to comply with and to be bound by all the terms of this Stipulated Protective
11 Order and I understand and acknowledge that failure to so comply could expose
12 me to sanctions and punishment in the nature of contempt. I solemnly promise that
13 I will not disclose in any manner any information or item that is subject to this
14 Stipulated Protective Order to any person or entity except in strict compliance with
15 the provisions of this Order.

16 I further agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for
17 the Central District of California for the purpose of enforcing the terms of this
18 Stipulated Protective Order, even if such enforcement proceedings occur after
19 termination of this action. I hereby appoint _____ [print
20 or type full name] of _____ [print or
21 type full address and telephone number] as my California agent for service of
22 process in connection with this action or any proceedings related to enforcement of
23 this Stipulated Protective Order.

24 Date: _____

25 City and State where sworn and signed: _____

26 Printed name: _____

27 Signature: _____